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REQUEST FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION

Sir.

With reference to the Office Action dated June 15, 2005, Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of the response term, from the present term of September 15, 2005, up to a new term of December 15, 2005. The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 12-0400 in the amount of \$1,020 to cover the fee for this three-month extension, or any required fees in excess of the amount submitted, or credit any overpayment.

<u>December 15, 2005</u>

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Respectfully submitted,

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